



## Calls for Service

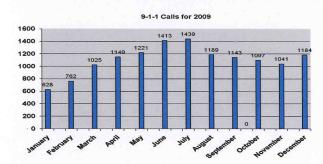


The Central South Dakota Communications Center is the Public Safety Answering Point for Hughes, Stanley, Jones, Sully and Hyde Counties. All 9-1-1 telephone calls for these agencies are routed to the Central South Dakota Communications Center. This includes all emergency services calls for all five counties and the cities in those counties.

#### In addition to answering

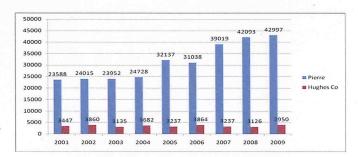
9-1-1 calls, the Center handles many non-emergency calls for public service requests for the Pierre Police Department, Hughes County Sheriff's Office, Stanley County Sheriff's Office and Sully County Sheriff's Office.

The Center answered 13,291 9-1-1 calls in 2009. Of those; 9,422 approximately 71% of the total 911 call volume were received from cellular telephones. 9-1-1 calls received during 2009 averaged 1,108 calls per month, 36 calls per day. In 2009 the largest call volume occurs between the hours of 8:00 PM and 9:00 PM.



Calls for Service received by the Communications Center totaled 46,947. Of this total 33,646 were calls generated in the jurisdiction of Pierre, 3,950 in Hughes County, 4,271 in Stanley County, 1,190 for American Medical Response (ambulance), 626 in Jones County, 271 for Pierre Fire and Rescue, 1,332 in Hyde County, 1,450 in Sully County, and 152 for State Units (Highway Patrol, etc). Calls for service increased by .03% this year compared to 2008.

The Center provides many other services such as: alarm monitoring, city key distribution, messages for personnel, road reporting, data entry in numerous computer systems, utilities concerns and many other duties. For all accomplished by the staff, the highest of our priorities are and will remain both officer safety and public safety.



# **Training/Crime Prevention**

The Pierre Police Department continues to enhance the safety of our community by participating in youth education programs.

D.A.R.E (Drug Abuse Resistance Education) is a prevention program that is designed for fifth grade students to help them resist the increased pressure to use drugs and alcohol as they prepare to enter the middle school. The program lasts seven weeks and includes lessons on peer pressure, self-esteem, conflict resolution, consequences and ways to say "no". D.A.R.E is a collaborative effort between schools, parents, and the police and is presented in all the Pierre elementary schools. This program continues to be a very positive youth education program with 232 fifth grade students graduating from the D.A.R.E. program in 2008.



Safety Town Program is a program that educates young children on many safety topics. The program is a City of Pierre Summer Recreation program that involves the police department patrol and communications divisions working with the recreation department to instruct on numerous safety topics. In the past several years, this program has become a very positive factor in enhancing the safety of the community youth and continues to be a very sought after program by parents. In 2008, 77 children were in the Safety Town Program.

The Field Training Officer Program is a ten week program that combines a new officer with an experienced and specially trained officer to educate and evaluate the new officer in the duties of a police officer. The new officer is evaluated daily by his F.T.O. (Field Training Officer) to educate them on department policies and procedures and to ensure professionalism in the Pierre Police Department. Officers must successfully complete this program prior to being released on their own to assume patrol officer duties. Congratulations to Officer Heath Rousseau, who was hired in 2008 and successfully completed his field training program and has been assigned to a shift on the patrol division.



# **Investigations**

	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009
Homicide	0	0	0	2	0	0	0
Aggravated Assault	20	32	24	18	22	30	13
Forcible Rape	12	10	10	21	17	21	18
Robbery	0	0	0	4	1	3	2
Burglary	87	87	39	100	83	100	99
Simple Assault	150	219	182	*87	*116	109	184
Arson	6	4	6	3	5	5	3
Sex Offenses	34	29	13	22	29	21	23
Narcotics/Drugs	127	132	87	75	90	76	73



The Criminal Investigations Division is comprised of a Lieutenant Detective, Detective, Drug Investigator-who is assigned to the Northern Plains Safe Trails Drug Enforcement Task Force, Evidence Technician/Crime Analyst, and the School Resource Officer. The division is responsible for conducting all investigations that are referred from the Patrol Division, as well as reports from the public or other agencies. The Criminal Investigations Division is also tasked with the responsibility for controlling the submitted evidence.

In April 2008, Officer John Wollman was assigned to the Northern Plains Safe Trails Drug Enforcement Task Force.

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# **Specialized Police Activities**

#### ■ Police Reserve Unit

The **Pierre Area Police Reserve Unit** is a group of volunteer citizens that have completed the basic 100 hours of state mandated training and are certified by the South Dakota Law Enforcement Training and Standards Commission. The unit was staffed in 2009 by six reserve officers: Travis Hendricks, Claudean Hluchy, Todd Thompson, Jon DeGreef, Tony Neyhart and Kerry Smith. These six reserve officers provided over (500) man hours of service to the citizens of Pierre and Hughes County.

A new reserve officer training class was begun in the fall of 2009 and we had 4 citizens complete the training and were administered the oath of office by 6<sup>th</sup> Circuit Court Judge Mark Barnett on February 18<sup>th</sup>, 2010 to round out our authorization of ten Certified Reserve Officers. The new Reserve Officers are, Holly Thompson, Timothy Flor, Barry DuFour and Brent Adams.

Duties of the reserve unit include providing security at special events, such as high school sports and community happenings - Oahe Days, Goosefest, as well as traffic control for local parades. The reserve officers donate most of their time riding with the full-time Police Officers, answering calls for service involving emergency and non emergency incidents.

Reserve officers are required to attend monthly training sessions on the second Thursday of each month. These training opportunities are used by the Reserve Officers to maintain their



proficiency in critical skill areas such as Firearms, CPR, Defensive Tactics, Domestic Violence and Officer Survival. The reserves also use this training time to remain current on State Traffic and Criminal Law, Departmental Policies and Procedures and Report Writing.

The Pierre Reserve Unit continues to be a valuable department and community resource. Duties performed by these reserve officers greatly reduce overtime expenditures for both departments, especially during large community events. The Pierre Area Police Reserve Unit is supervised by Pierre Police Officer Danny Forest.

#### **■** Cadet Program

The Law Enforcement Explorer Program is sanctioned by the Boy Scouts of America and provides teenagers and young adults a chance to work hand-in-hand with local police departments. Explorers are a nationwide effort that has been a part of the Pierre Police Department for several decades. The Cadet program's current advisors are Officer Cole Martin and School Resource Officer Samson Boutchee.

During the past year, the Cadet membership had 5 active members. These young people are outfitted and trained to assist with various aspects of law enforcement.

Each year, Cadets donate hundreds of hours of service. Those hours include time in dispatch, patrol, helping with traffic control – including parades and city celebrations. The Cadets promote the department in a public light and fill needs when the use of a full-time officer is not necessary or cost effective. This has been evident especially during the annual Safety Town Program in the summer. This coming summer will be the fifth year a Cadet has worked for that program.

This past year the Cadets volunteered at many events and helped out with various activities, one being the yearly police calendar. They also entered a float in the Parade of Lights again this year.

The Cadets are busily preparing for the statewide Explorer competition in July.

The greatest part of the Cadet program, however, is the interaction between our young people and the men and women in the Pierre Police Department. The time that they spend with our officers is priceless.

# **■ Community Resource Officer**



Household Garbage in bags stored on the back porch



Canadian Thistle Problem

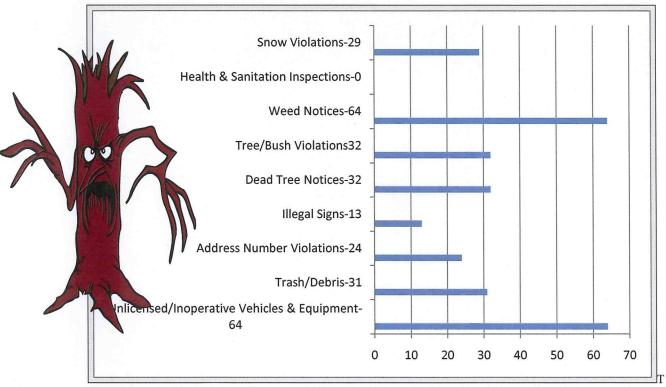
The **Community Resource Officer** is a position with the Pierre Police Department and the Public Works Office that was initiated in January 2000.

Duties associated with the Police Department and Public Works Office run hand in hand; therefore, some of the numbers will also reflect with the Public Works End of Year Report. Duties of the Community Resource Officer are listed below, but not limited to the following:

Unlicensed/inoperative vehicles, health and sanitation inspections, trash issues, junk and debris, weed notices, various tree and shrub ordinances / various other ordinances.

Police Officer duties include filling in on short shifts, assist at accident calls, medical calls and help out whenever and where ever needed.

Numbers will be lower this year due to being re-assigned to active police duties for three months.



The numbers do not reflect the calls that city hall handled. Also assisted in various Police Calls and Security at the airport in the afternoons.



Snow Of Christmas 2009



#### **■** School Resource Officer

The **School Resource Officer** (SRO) program has been in existence since 1999. The position is currently being held by Officer Samson Boutchee. Officer Boutchee is in his sixth year, and he is the second officer to hold the position for the Pierre Police Department. SRO Boutchee spends most of his time at the high school and has an office there, but he is also the School Resource Officer of the middle school and the elementary schools.

The SRO duties and responsibilities include taking care of all law related incidents that happen in the Pierre Public School System ranging from crime against property to crimes against persons. The SRO teaches classes, upon request, about anything from bicycle safety, to how to prevent oneself from becoming a victim of crime. Annually, there is a drug sweep done at the middle schools and the high school. These sweeps help keep the schools drug free. SRO Boutchee is on the District Safety Team. The SRO's number one job is the protection of students and staff. This is the fifth year that the school district has practiced Lock Down and Evacuation



drills. Each school in the district practiced these drills with the assistance of SRO Boutchee.

SRO Boutchee attended the National SRO conference last June in Baltimore, MD.

SRO Boutchee is in his second term of being the vice-president of the South Dakota School Resource Officers Association.

The SRO works very closely with all of the administration and is supervised by the administrative captain. The SRO is a liaison between the two departments and helps when either side needs assistance or has a question about the other group or profession.

### **Patrol Activities**

### **■** Police Fleet

Our department currently maintains a **fleet** of fifteen vehicles and two motorcycles. Nine vehicles are marked patrol



units which are utilized daily for patrol activities. This includes a marked pickup which is primarily used by the animal control officer; however, it is also used for patrol duties during inclement winter weather. The two remaining marked patrol units are utilized by the School Resource Officer and Community Resource Officer. These nine marked patrol vehicles were driven a total of 256,604 miles during 2009.

Weather and manpower permitting, we utilize two marked Harley-Davidson patrol motorcycles. The motorcycles are leased from Harley-Davidson Motor Company for \$1.00 per year. The Harley-Davidsons were driven nearly 500 miles during 2009.

Our department has six unmarked vehicles used by the Administration and the Detective Division and one eight passenger van used for transportation of specialized teams within the department. These seven vehicles were driven approximately 41,000 miles in 2008.

Nearly 300,000 miles were driven by the members of the Pierre Police Department in 2009. Because of



the large amount of miles driven, we schedule regular maintenance on our vehicles in an effort to hold down repair costs. We continue to study our repair records in an effort to efficiently service the fleet and replace vehicles before costly repairs are required. By doing so, we are better able to provide a more efficient and safe fleet for our officers and the public.

### **■** Patrol Division

The **patrol division** is comprised of three shifts of officers. There are 17 officers assigned to our patrol division. That number includes the Lieutenants and Corporals who supervise three eight-hour shifts each day.

We have a link to our Police Department website so that our citizens and guests can keep track of the sex offenders who live in our city. You can view our website by visiting <a href="http://ci.pierre.sd.us">http://ci.pierre.sd.us</a> and then click on the police department door.



Traffic Crashes:	2007	2008	2009
State Reportable-Fatality	0	0	0
State Reportable-Injuries	.49	57	31
State Reportable-Property Damage Only	100	125	203
City Reportable	225	217	222
Hit & Run	120	104	88
Private Property	244	228	210
Non-Reportable	40	51	39
TOTALS	778	782	793

Traffic Enforcement/Citations:	2006	2007	2008	2009
DUI	168	173	155	174
Zero Tolerance DUI	8	11	4	10
Speeding	349	313	461	282
Stop Sign	24	15	18	22
Stop Light	21	26	34	24
DUR/DUS	165	64	92	72
No Insurance	77	61	84	91
Equipment Violations	14	19		9
Child Restraint	18	34	53	70
Seat Belt	48	109	125	107
License Plates	37	65	42	45
Drivers License	93	91	101	124
Exhibition Driving	21	12	14	19
	1043	993	1183	1049

### **Animal Control**

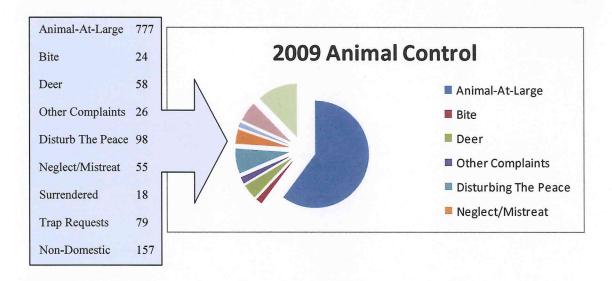
It shall be unlawful for any owner or other person having custody thereof, to permit any animal to run at large at any time within the limits of the city and any police officers or duly employed animal control officer is hereby authorized to impound any such animal found running at large in the city. An animal within the automobile of its owner or person in charge thereof shall be deemed upon the owner's property.

The Animal Control Officer is responsible for enforcing city animal ordinances. This includes animals-at-large, animal abuse/neglect, and animals disturbing the peace.

The Animal Control Officer also assists the public with nuisance animals such as feral/stray cats, skunks, raccoons, and opossums by furnishing live traps to assist in removing the animals.







# **Awards**

According to Pierre Police Department Policy 313, Commendations and Awards, effective April 2, 2002; the Pierre Police Department expects a very high level of professional conduct from all employees; however, members of the department frequently perform their duties in a manner exceeding the highest standards of the department. The official commendation of such performance and all the arrangements of appropriate publicity are to be provided by the department to give full public recognition to those who have brought honor to themselves and the department. Any department employee may make nominations for a commendation or award.

In order to recognize personal sacrifice, extreme gallantry, and exemplary service or conduct, an awards program is hereby instituted.

Longevity: Samson Boutchee, Dusty Pelle, 5 Years; Bret Sether, Bryan Walz, John Wollman, Troy Swenson, 10 Years; Dave DeJabet, Dave Panzer, 20 Years; Monica Bramblee, 35 Years.

Dispatch Merit Awards to Amanda Robey, Cindy Gross and Jana Jones; Lifesaving Awards to Bryan Walz, former officer Ray Klinger, and two lifesaving awards to Mark Jandt; Medical Assist Award to Susan LaFave.



